

# Gilpin County Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

## June 8, 2021

The Gilpin County Planning Commission convened via Zoom Meeting; no physical meeting was held.

A recording of this meeting is available at

https://stories.opengov.com/gilpincountyco/published/ZQ8LLnMmf

Call to Order: Chair Jeney called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

#### Quorum Call:

- Present: Chair Laura Jeney, Chair Pro-Tem Bob Haxel, Andrea Wrobel, Art Fuqua, Kurt Duncan, Melissa Harless, Shannon Arrington, Roxann Goss (arrived at 8:00 pm)
- Absent: None
- Staff Present: Tami Archer, Planner

**Agenda Review:** Chair Jeney reviewed the agenda. Commissioner Arrington moved to approve the agenda as presented, and the motion was seconded by Chair Pro-Tem Haxel. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes Review: The minutes from the May 11, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Commissioner Wrobel noted her name was misspelled on page 2. Commissioner Duncan moved to approve as amended and was seconded by Commissioner Fuqua. The motion passed unanimously.

**New Business: None** 

#### Old Business:

A. Lighting Regulations – Section 4.12

Chair Jeney noted that a public hearing on June 8, 2021 for this item was not advertised. Chair Jeney and Planner Archer briefly recapped the previously presented staff report, noting that lighting regulations from Jefferson County and Boulder County were used as a template to assist in the creation of this section of the regulation. Chair Jeney went over Section 4.12 as it was included in the packet.

Discussion on each section in detail pursued. Topics included the need to clarify intent, focus on definitions, applicability to all zoning districts, exemptions, as well as the different types of lighting and how to define and regulate them. Special attention was given to creating standards, especially to fixture standards. There was also considerable discussion regarding lumens, watts and foot candles and the relationships between them. There was also additional discussion focused on flood lights, commercial lighting standards, and the challenges of enforcement.

Chair Jeney asked what the sentiment was amongst the commissioners regarding the public hearing. Several commissioners, as well as staff, agreed that this section needed additional work before it would be ready for a public hearing.



It was decided to bring a revised document to the next regular meeting for further discussion and refinement.

#### **Public Comment:**

Chair Jeney opened the public comment period at 9:15

Bill Merline, 86 Spruce Way, expressed concerns about the lighting regulations.

## **Staff Updates:**

Chair Jeney noted that the advertisement to fill the vacant commissioner position would probably not be in the paper until mid-July due to the holidays.

Planner Archer noted that April Nielsen had accepted the open permit tech/code enforcement position and had a start date of June 14.

Planner Archer also shared that the application for the Dead Man Gravel bike race had been withdrawn due to the lack of time to address many concerns raised about the event.

### Adjourn

Chair Pro-Tem Haxel made a motion to adjourn at 9:23 p.m., and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Fuqua. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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